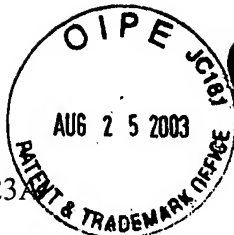


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Official Action mailed on May 19, 2003 (Paper No. 5). Reconsideration of the pending application is requested in light of the amendments, remarks and arguments presented below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.